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Superintendent: Carl Malone

## **Muncie Park & Recreation Board Meeting**

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

**City Hall Auditorium**

- (1) Call to Order
- (2) Pledge of Allegiance
- (3) Roll Call
- (4) Approval of the minutes from (October 2021) Park Board Meeting.
- (5) Tree Presentation – Aren Flint | Indiana Team Leader for Urban Forestry for Davey Resource Group, Inc.
- (6) Superintendent Report – Carl Malone
- (7) Prairie Creek – Ashley Wright (Event and Reappropriation of Funds)
- (8) Old Business
  - Park Foundation – Carly Acree King | The Community Foundation of Muncie and Delaware County, Inc.
  - Tuhey Splash Pad
- (9) New Business
  - Storer Park
- (10) Other Business – This is a call to the Audience that may have items that need Approved from Parks and Recreation Board
- (11) Action Items
- (12) Public Input – (3) minutes limit – Please state your name and address

Remember to please call the Park Office or the Park Board President (Brad Marshall) if you have an item that needs to be placed on the agenda.

**\* Next Park Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 18, 2022 (6:00 p.m.) - City Hall Auditorium**



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## Superintendent Report

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Muncie Parks and Recreation Department finished 2021 season maintaining and beautifying (32) city parks. We were able to make major improvements in 3 of those (32) parks. We encountered multiple challenges during our 2021 season that included, Tuhey Pool operation, park staffing and budget balancing.

In 2022 Muncie Parks and Recreation will seek to make improvements in the areas stated above.

### **Highlights:**

- Hosted 2021 Parks and Recreation Conference
- Cooley Park project completed
- Halteman Park Phase I completed
- Morningside Park project completed
- City Council approved another position for Utility Position

If the Board would have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the Park Office (765) 747-4858 or cell (765) 749-8490.

Carl Malone  
Superintendent  
Muncie Parks and Recreation

## Reappropriation

To Electric 203-29-435011 – From Cash 203-29-000111

\$8500

Electric costs were a little higher than expected with the new building. Our updated lease with our tenant will have the electric being paid by the tenant. We will not need to adjust the 2022 budget amount.

To Repair and Maintenance 203-29-422133 from Cash 203-29-000111

\$8,500

Last minute repairs were needed to some vehicles and to the property. We needed some gas plumbing repairs in the new office. We have moved in the office and all the initial repairs should be finished.

To Mowing and Capital Equipment/Improvement 203-29-444081 from Cash 203-29-000111

\$31,325

Examples this year, money was spent renovating the new office, installed campground gates, repairing the accessible dock, buying 2 mowers, purchasing a new furnace for the new office. With the rising cost of services some costs of repairs came in higher than expected.

As of Monday December 13, 2021, we have only spent \$726,675 and with a revenue of \$792,716. This leaves Prairie Creek with approx. \$66,000 in income not spent. This money will go back into our savings account as profit.

**DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUND AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF MUNCIE AND DELAWARE COUNTY, INC.,  
AND  
MUNCIE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT ("DONORS")**

**THIS AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of December 15, 2021, by and between The Community Foundation of Muncie and Delaware County, Inc. (the "Community Foundation"), and Muncie Parks and Recreation Department ("Donors").

**Recitals**

**WHEREAS**, Donors desire to establish a designated endowment fund in the Community Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Community Foundation is an Indiana nonprofit corporation exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code ("Code") section 501(c)(3), a public charity described in Code section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and accordingly an appropriate institution within which to establish such a designated endowment fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Community Foundation is willing and able to hold and administer such a designated endowment fund, subject to the terms and conditions hereof.

**General Provisions**

**NOW THEREFORE**, the parties agree as follows:

**1. GIFT AND FUND DESIGNATION.** Donors hereby transfer irrevocably to the Community Foundation the property (cash, publicly traded securities, or other assets) described in the attached Exhibit A to establish a designated endowment fund to be known as the **Muncie Parks and Recreation Fund** (the "Fund"). Subject to the right of the Community Foundation to reject any particular gift, from time to time the Community Foundation may accept additional irrevocable gifts of property from Donors or from any other source to be added to the Fund, all subject to the provisions hereof. All gifts, bequests, and devises to this Fund shall be irrevocable once accepted by the Community Foundation.

**2. PURPOSE.** The purpose of the Fund shall be to provide support to **Muncie Parks and Recreation for improvement of current and future parks in the city of Muncie** (a single tax-exempt nonprofit organization described in Code sections 501(c)(3) and either 509(a)(1), 509(a)(2), or 509(a)(3)) (the "Designated Agency"), as directed by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Community Foundation. Such support shall be used to further the charitable or other exempt purposes of the Designated Agency

within the meaning of Code section 170(c)(1) or 170(c)(2)(B) and shall be consistent with the mission and purposes of the Community Foundation.

**3. DISTRIBUTIONS.** The ordinary income, capital appreciation (realized and unrealized), and principal (both historic dollar value and any principal contributions, accumulations, additions, or reinvestments) allocable to the Fund, net of the fees and expenses set forth in this Agreement, may be committed, granted, or expended pursuant to the distribution (or spending) policy of the Community Foundation, as such policy may be amended from time to time by the Community Foundation, solely for purposes described in this Agreement. The Community Foundation's distribution (or spending) policy, as applied to endowments such as the Fund, shall be designed to take into account total return concepts of investment and spending, with the goal of preserving the real spending power of endowments over time while balancing the need for consistent spending to support the charitable and similar exempt purposes of such endowments.

If any gift to the Community Foundation for the Fund is accepted subject to conditions or restrictions as to the use of the gift or income therefrom, such conditions or restrictions will be honored, subject, however, to the authority of the Board to vary the terms of any gift if continued adherence to any condition or restriction is in the judgment of the Board unnecessary, incapable of fulfillment, or inconsistent with the charitable or other exempt purposes of the Community Foundation or the needs of the community served by the Community Foundation. No distribution shall be made from the Fund that may in the judgment of the Community Foundation jeopardize or be inconsistent with the Community Foundation's Code section 501(c)(3) status or result in the imposition of any excise tax, penalty, or other tax, fine, or assessment under the Code.

**4. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Community Foundation shall hold and administer the Fund, and all contributions and assets allocable to the Fund, subject to the provisions of applicable law and the Community Foundation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, as amended from time to time. The Board shall oversee distributions from the Fund and shall have all powers of modification and removal specified in United States Treasury Regulation section 1.170A-9(e)(11)(v)(B).

The Board agrees to provide Donors a copy of any annual examination of the finances of the Community Foundation as reported by independent certified public accountants.

This Agreement and all related proceedings shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of Indiana. Any action with respect to this Agreement shall be brought in or venued to a court of competent jurisdiction in Indiana.

**5. CONDITIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS.** Donors agree and acknowledge that the establishment of the Fund is made in recognition of, and subject at all times to, applicable law and the terms and conditions of the Articles of Incorporation

and Bylaws of the Community Foundation, as amended from time to time, including, but not by way of limitation, provisions for:

- a. Presumption of Donors' intent;
- b. Variance from Donors' direction; and
- c. Amendments.

**6. CONTINUITY OF THE FUND.** The Fund shall continue so long as assets are available in the Fund and the purposes of the Fund can be served by its continuation. If the Fund is terminated, the Community Foundation shall use any remaining assets in the Fund exclusively for charitable or other exempt purposes that:

- a. are within the scope of the charitable and other exempt purposes of the Community Foundation; and
- b. most nearly approximate, in the good faith opinion of the Board, the original purpose of the Fund.

**7. NOT A SEPARATE TRUST.** The Fund shall be a component part of the Community Foundation. All money and property in the Fund shall be held as general assets of the Community Foundation and not segregated as trust property of a separate trust.

**8. ACCOUNTING.** The receipts and disbursements of the Fund shall be accounted for separately and apart from those of other gifts to the Community Foundation.

**9. INVESTMENT OF FUND ASSETS.** The Community Foundation shall have all powers necessary, or in its judgment desirable, to carry out the purposes of the Fund including, but not limited to, the power to retain, invest, and reinvest the assets of the Fund and the power to commingle the assets of the Fund for investment purposes with those of other funds or the Community Foundation's general assets.

**10. COSTS OF THE FUND.** It is understood and agreed that the Fund shall share a fair portion of the total investment and administrative costs and expenses of the Community Foundation. Those costs and expenses charged against the Fund shall be determined in accordance with the then current fee schedule identified by the Community Foundation as applicable to funds of this type, as such schedule may be amended by the Community Foundation from time to time. Any costs and expenses incurred by the Community Foundation in accepting, transferring, or managing property donated to the Community Foundation for the Fund, including without limitation the Community Foundation's costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys fees) of any claim or proceeding with respect to the Fund in which the Community Foundation is prevailing party, also shall be paid from the Fund.

**Execution**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, Donors and the Community Foundation, by a duly authorized officer, have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

DONORS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Brad Marshall, Board President, Muncie Parks and Recreation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Carl Malone, Superintendent, Muncie Parks and Recreation

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MUNCIE AND DELAWARE COUNTY, INC.:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly K. Shrock, President

**EXHIBIT A**

**LIST OF INITIAL DONATIONS TO FUND**

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

## Riverview Park Cost Analysis

Item	Cost
Shelter	\$22,000 for smaller shelter
Splash pad	\$130,000 set
Bathroom/changing rooms	\$50,000
Raingarden/mound	\$30,000
Playscape/Playground	\$60,000-80,000 for either choice but playscape has less "pieces"
Parking lot	\$30,000
Full court	\$40,000 give or take
Half court	\$20,000 give or take
Outdoor grills	\$500 total
New pit (water)	\$3,800
Connection (water)	\$3200 for two connections
Stormwater drain	\$3,800
Crushed limestone pavement	\$5 per linear foot
<b>Extras</b>	
Trees/shrubs	Grant
Pollinator garden	Grant
Trash can	\$100
Misc landscaping	\$10,000
Park bench	\$500 per unit
Picnic table	\$100 per unit
Swingset	\$12,000 for three swings and one child or ADA swing
Fireplace for shelter	\$8,000
<b>Concept 1 total:</b>	<b>\$394,000</b>
<b>Concept 2 total:</b>	<b>\$394,000</b>
<b>Concept 3 total:</b>	<b>\$360,000</b>
<b>Concept 4 total:</b>	<b>\$338,900</b>

# Concept 1

- Shelter
- Playground
- Rain garden
- Trees
- Shrubs
- Pollinator garden
- Basketball court
- Site boundary
- Picnic table and grill

Phase 2  
woodland trail  
and boardwalk

Concept 1 total: \$394,900

Item	Cost
Shelter	\$22,000 for smaller shelter
Splash pad	\$130,000 set
Bathroom/changing rooms	\$50,000
Rain garden/mound	\$30,000
Playscape/playground	\$60,000 for either choice but playscape has less "pieces"
Parking lot	\$30,000
Full court	\$40,000 give or take
Outdoor grills	\$500
New pit (water)	\$3,800
Connection (water)	\$3,200 for two connections
Stormwater drain	\$3,800
Crushed limestone pavement	\$21,600

# Concept 2

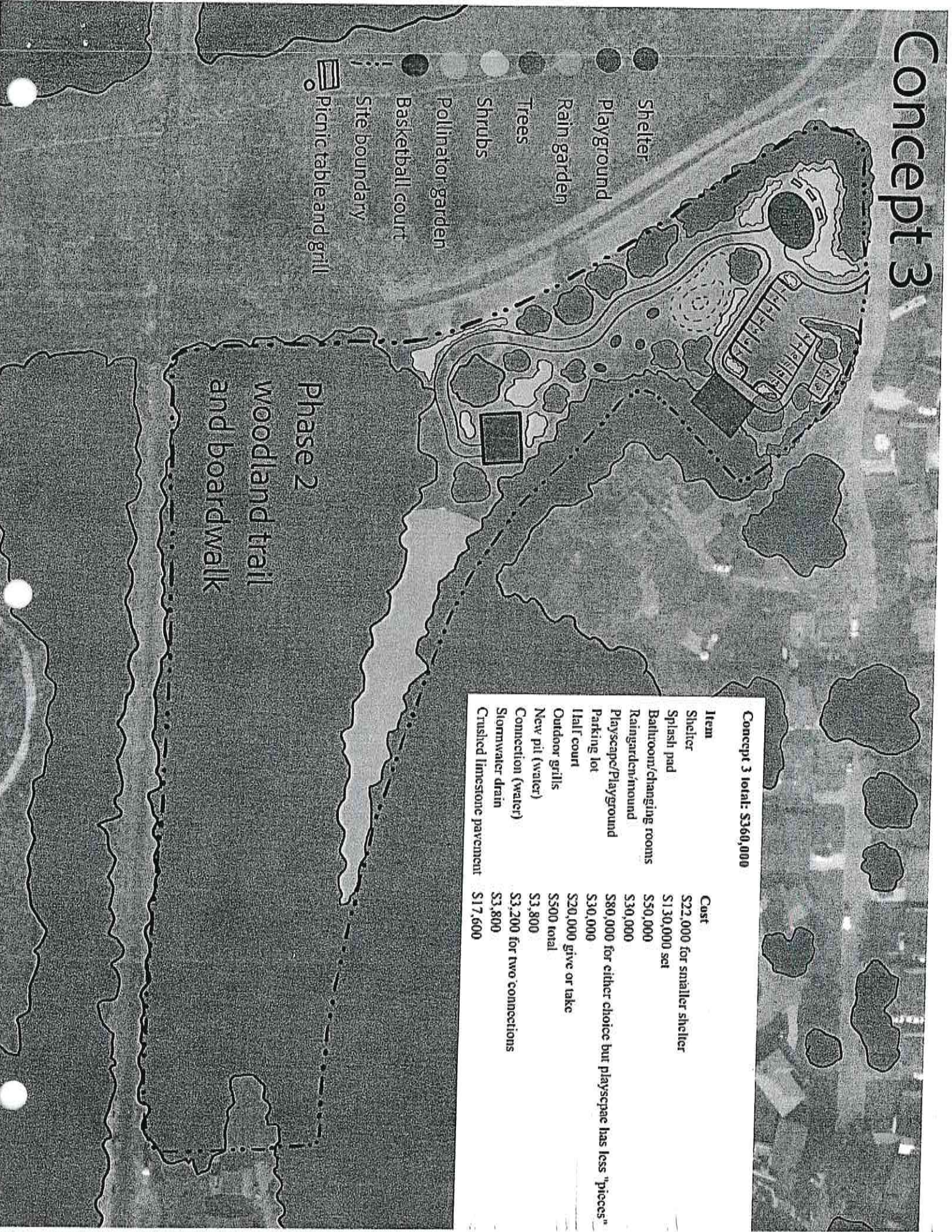
- Shelter
- Playground
- Rain garden
- Trees
- Shrubs
- Pollinator garden
- Basketball court
- Site boundary
- Picnic table and grill

Phase 2  
woodland trail  
and boardwalk

Concept 2 total: \$394,900	
Item	Cost
Shelter	\$22,000 for smaller shelter
Splash pad	\$130,000 set
Bathroom/changing rooms	\$50,000
Rain garden/mound	\$30,000
Playscape/Playground	\$60,000 for either choice but playscape has less "pieces"
Parking lot	\$30,000
Full Court	\$40,000 give or take
Outdoor grills	\$500
New pit (water)	\$3,800
Connection (water)	\$3,200 for two connections
Stormwater drain	\$3,800
Crushed limestone pavement	\$21,600

# Concept 3

- Shelter
- Playground
- Rain garden
- Trees
- Shrubs
- Pollinator garden
- Basketball court
- Site boundary
- ☞ Picnic table and grill



Concept 3 total: \$360,000

Item	Cost
Shelter	\$22,000 for smaller shelter
Splash pad	\$130,000 set
Bathroom/changing rooms	\$50,000
Rain garden/mound	\$30,000
Playscape/Playground	\$80,000 for either choice but playscape has less "pieces"
Parking lot	\$30,000
Hall court	\$20,000 give or take
Outdoor grills	\$500 total
New pit (water)	\$3,800
Connection (water)	\$3,200 for two connections
Stormwater drain	\$3,800
Crushed limestone pavement	\$17,600

# Concept 4

- Shelter
- Playground
- Rain garden
- Trees
- Shrubs
- Pollinator garden
- Basketball court
- Site boundary
- Picnic table and grill



Phase 2  
woodland trail  
and boardwalk

Concept 4 total: \$338,900

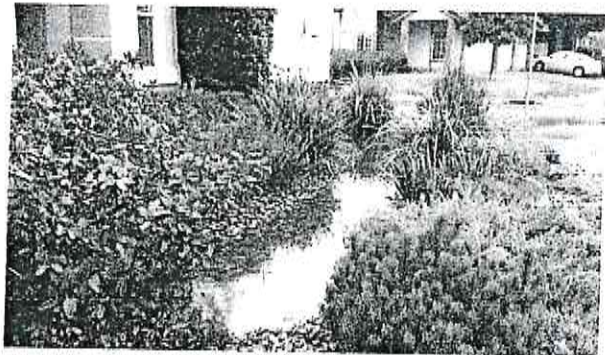
Item	Cost
Splash pad	\$130,000 set
Bathroom /changing rooms	\$50,000
Playscapc/Playground	\$80,000 for either choice but playscpac has "pieces"
Parking lot	\$30,000
Half court	\$20,000 give or take
Outdoor grills	\$500 total
New pit (water)	\$3,800
Connection (water)	3,200 for two connections
Stormwater drain	\$3,800
Crushed limestone pavement	\$17,600

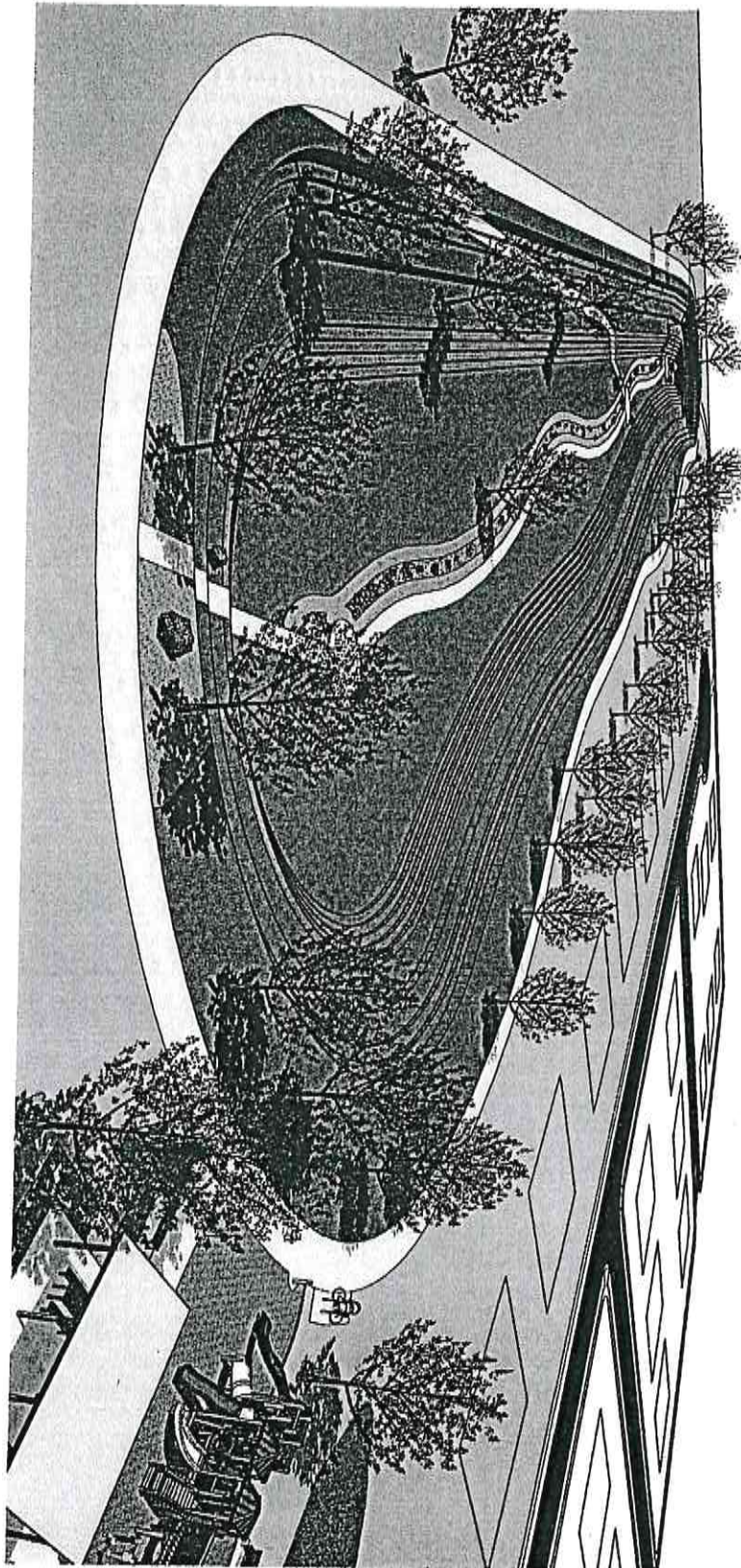
## Rain Gardens

Rain gardens provide an attractive solution to water ponding and yard drainage issues. In urban and suburban settings, rooftops, roadways, and other paved surfaces cause water to move quickly across their surfaces. This increased rate of flow reduces the ability for water to soak into the ground and reach the groundwater system. Using these **shallow depressions planted with native plants** reduces the amount of water on the surface of your lawn and slowly filters water as it moves into the ground. Rain gardens are also pretty and inviting to wildlife such as butterflies and birds and are **nearly maintenance free once established**.

Native plants filter rain water removing sediment and nutrient pollutants from runoff. Every time it rains, water gushes from your downspouts across your lawn into local streets picking up pesticides, sediment, and nutrients before flowing into local storm drains. Depending on the slope of your lawn, rain may cause ponding or wet spots within your yard. Once in the storm drain system, polluted runoff is carried directly to the White River. Installation of a rain garden can reduce the flow of polluted runoff from your property during the first flush of rain allowing water to slowly move into the groundwater system. The more water you retain on site, the less water flows across the land surface resulting in less sediment and nutrient polluted runoff flowing directly into the White River.

<https://ag.purdue.edu/extension/hellbender/Pages/RainGarden.aspx>



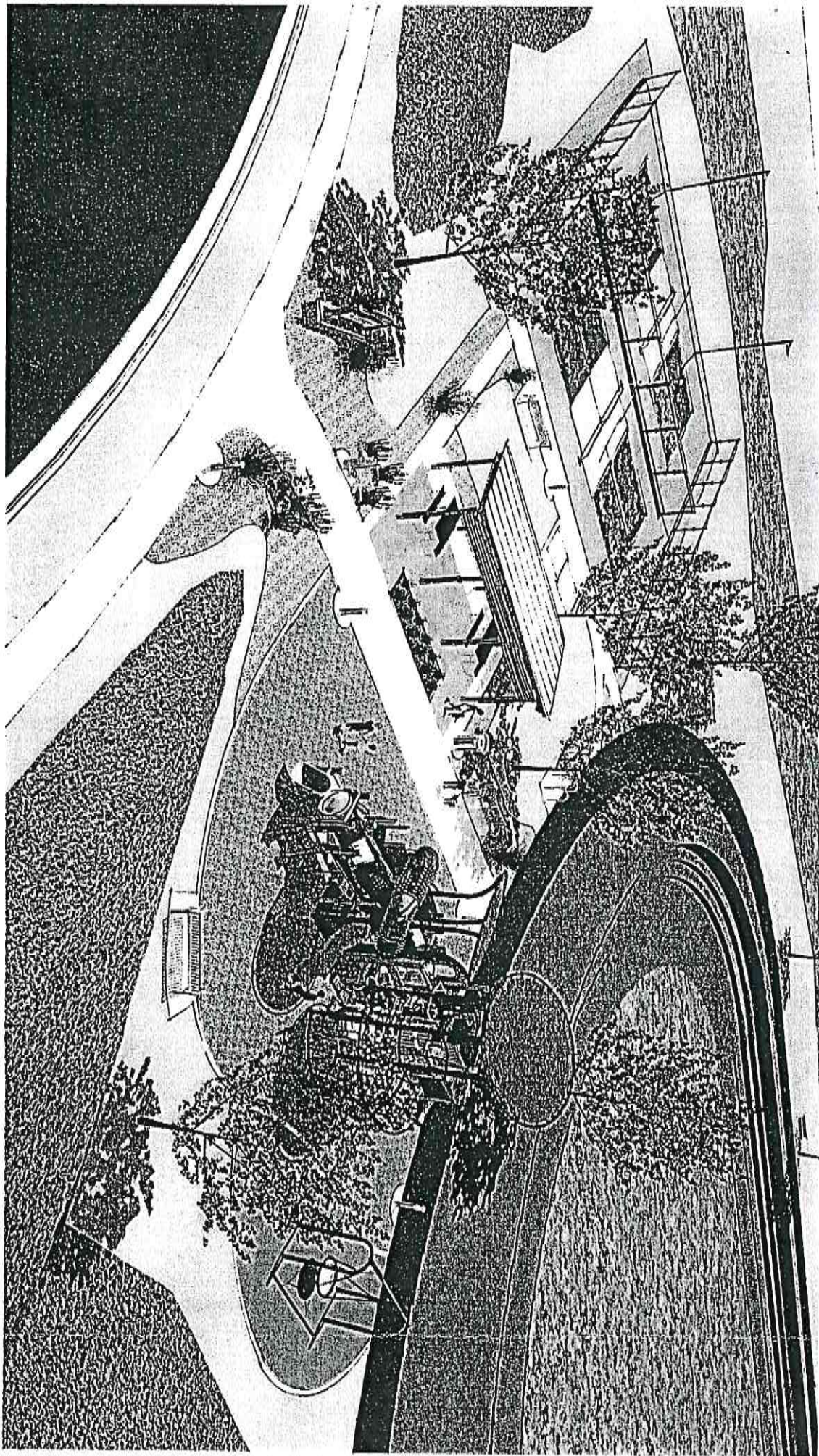


Monument Sign & Park  
Schematic Design

Storer Estates &  
Neighborhood Park  
Muncie, Indiana

City of Muncie  
300 N High St.  
Muncie, Indiana 47305









# Senior Wellness Program...*in the Parks!*

**First Session: Jan. 19th @ 11:00am**

**Location: Cabin 3 - Heekin Park**  
Handicap/Wheelchair access with adjacent parking

*"Energizing Chair Exercises with Balance Training"*

- Decrease your risk of falls and injury.
- Learn how to exercise safely and easily from your chair.
- Healthy snacks and Reading a Nutrition Label to follow.

**Presented by: The Healthy Lifestyle Center and Lynn Witty, MD**

**Session 2: Feb. 16th @ 11:00am**

**Location: Cabin 3 - Heekin Park**  
Handicap/Wheelchair access with adjacent parking

*"Stretching with Self-Massage for Aches & Pains"*

- Relieve tension in your muscles & joints
- Great for arthritis and Positive Mental Health

*Presented by: LuAnn Williams- Certified National/State Massage Therapist*



COVID precautions with Cabin social distancing, mask are suggested for your wellness

**Senior Wellness Program  
meets every  
3rd Wednesday of the month**

RSVP to: Lynn Witty, MD, Healthy Lifestyle Center  
hlc765@bsu.edu (765) 285-1293

# Park Board Meeting Public Input Sign In Sheet

Date: 12/16/2021

Name (Please Print)

Address

1. MARIC LAMMAN 703 E 26th St.
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# **Muncie Park & Recreation Board Meeting**

December 15, 2021 6p.m.

City Hall Auditorium

**1. CALL TO ORDER-** Brad Marshall called meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – All stood for the Pledge

**3. ROLL CALL-**Present were President Brad Marshall and Mark Ervin. Absent were Vice President Adrian Level (deceased), Dr. Shannon Powers and Yolanda Carey.

Mr. Marshall noted the Board was short members so there would be no votes on any items as there is no quorum. However, he believed there were enough items on the agenda that warranted a meeting and being discussed in front of the public.

**4. APPROVAL OF PARKS BOARD MINUTES-** Vote is postponed until the next meeting as there is no quorum.

Mr. Marshall announced the Tree Presentation by Aren Flint from Davey Resource who was running a bit late to the meeting so the meeting proceeded with Carl's Superintendent Report.

**5. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT- Carl Malone - See Report**

Mr. Malone started with a Thank You to the Board for taking the time and coming out.

## **Parks Highlights and Updates**

- Made it to the end of the year of beautifying and maintaining 32 parks with limited staff and without any injuries to employees and we were able to complete the majority of tasks that were before us.
- Completed three major improvements at Cooley, our first Splash Park, Halteman, being our second & Morningside Parks in 2021.
- We did encounter issues this season with Tuhey pool operations, park staffing and budgeting balancing. These items have been discussed amongst the office staff and Deputy Mayor Ivy and look forward to having a better year in 2022. We believe we have a solid plan for moving forward in 2022.

- Muncie hosted the IPRA State Conference once again. 6 employees were able to attend on IPRA scholarships and sat in on sessions related to their scope of work and the Parks Departments responsibilities. We are looking forward to being able to host the conference again in the future.
- Cooley Park Project with Dustin Clark, Special Project Director and Street Department provided leadership and direction on what was our first major project which helped us be better prepared with the Halteman Project, Phase 1. The Halteman Neighborhood Association was very involved in the process of completing the project. Phase 2 will include the tennis court and pickle ball court.
- Morningside Park we had some small challenges. It is a small neighborhood park and they had a list of items they wanted to see us fix and improve. We were able to complete those items and there are ongoing talks about a few other things they would like to see. The staff did a pretty good job on that project. There was a lot of work that went into the removal of mulch and old equipment to put in the new safe fall zone items and ADA compliant equipment.
- 2022 Riverview Park Project is coming up. Met with the Whitely Neighborhood Association Monday night (December 13, 2021) to discuss the plans for the space. Mayor Ridenour, Deputy Mayor Ivy and Dustin Clark (Special Projects Manager) attended to discuss plans with association. There are 4 project plans for them to choose from. They are leaning towards Plan 1. Dustin has some paperwork to finish for permits and then they will move forward with the project.
- City Council approved the addition of an Utility Worker for 2022 which is needed to help with the additional parks

Mr. Marshall asked if the price for the Riverview project was comparable to the 2021 projects and Carl stated it was pretty much the same except this park doesn't have an existing bathroom structure.

## **6. PRARIE CREEK REPORT – Dustin Clark and Ashley Wright**

- We are currently working on taking out the piers for the season. They have been short staffed but it is coming along. They currently have 4 workers and 370 piers to pull out.
- We have moved into our new office which is located at 6400 S County Road 575 E and our new phone number is (765) 747-4872.
- We are requesting a reappropriation of funds from the cash account. There were additional costs for the maintenance, improvements and having to buy new mowers. It is important to note we will still be depositing \$66,000 after these requested moves.

Brad Marshall inquired if the request would also need to go to City Council. Dustin stated he was informed since it wasn't City funds the ruling body would be the Parks Board.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Catfish Tournament. They want to hold it Memorial Day Weekend on Saturday from 8 – 8 (overnight). It will be held down by the launch by the Airplane Field. They would like it to benefit the Veterans of Delaware County. Last year there were about 200 people and around 40 boats. The organizer would like to discuss with the Visitors Bureau and the Mayor to have a possible Bike Ride and stuff like that to raise more money all in one big event.

Mark Ervin inquired if these transfers needed to be completed before the end of the year. Dustin stated it would be good for the bottom line and for the Controller's Office to avoid negatives. Brad Marshall stated they would try to convene a special meeting but it may need to wait until January if they can't get a quorum.

### **7. TREE PRESENTATION – Aren Flint from Davey Resource Group**

- Aren Flint was introduced by Kellie McClellan, Urban Forester
- Project was funded through a grant from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and pass-through grant funding from the City through Farmville US Forest Service & Community Forestry Program and Davey Resource Group did the inventory.
- Tree Inventory and Management Plan Data collection took place between March and September
- Tree inventory of all street right of ways and various parks. Currently 26% of trees are Maple which should be less 20%. Recommendation to lessen the number of Maples. They looked at 13070 Trees, 826 stumps, 1,663 planting locations.
- Tree conditions: 38% in good condition, 50% in fair condition. Over 1,400 poor and dead condition trees. Muncie needs more young trees to replace the mature trees as it should be a 4 to 1 ratio.
- Muncie will be on a 7 year cycle so all trees will be looked at by the end of 7 years with several being reviewed each year.
- Young Tree Pruning cycle is every 3 years. Ground Pruning 662 young trees every year.

- Looking at 1600 new plantings. All removals would be replaced with new plantings. About 3,000 trees in the near future.

Mr. Marshall thanked Aren for all her work and asked since this study focused on trees on public land if there is a way to engage the general public as well. Aren stated an Urban Tree Canopy Assessment can be done by taking an aerial view down to see land coverage. Can see how much land is covered by trees and focus in on where there is less canopy coverage and more need to develop a planting plan.

Mr. Ervin inquired if there was a resource available regarding native and non-native trees. Is that part of the City's role to serve as an information resource for private land owners? Aren stated that depends on how the Board wants to approach it. The Board can be that source and promote the trees you'd like to see in Muncie and those that are invasive.

## **8. APPROVAL FOR PARK FOUNDATION- George Foley, Programs Director**

- Create a fund through Muncie-Delaware County Community Foundation to receive donations from private individuals and corporate entities to fund the Parks Department and specific projects.

Mr. Foley introduced Carly Acree King, Program Officer of The Community Foundation of Muncie and Delaware County, Inc. to answer questions & discuss the relationship and benefits of setting up the Foundation account.

Carly Acree King introduced herself to the Board and discussed the long standing relationship The Foundation has with the City. The foundation currently manages 8 designated funds for the City with 5 being funds benefitting the Parks & Recreation Department.

Mr. Marshall noted he had spoken with Carly earlier in the week and she answered several of his questions. He went over the language on the document presented for an endowment vs a pass-through, the annual fees and earliest disbursement of 6 months.

Carly stated the Foundation administers several different fund types and they have been discussing a permanently endowed designated fund. That is permanently invested with the Foundation's assets and a spending portion of the principal of earnings is available for distribution. So that fund will last in perpetuity beyond all of us. There is a fund minimum of \$10,000 to establish it and every year their Board reviews a spending rate and that determines how much of our funds earnings will be distributed to organizations or entities and for 2022 it is 4.3%. The Foundation administers a fee for all fund types. For a designated fund it is 1%. For a pass-through account it is 3% of

each gift received. Pass-through accounts are more for short term immediate needs and the entity can spend the entire fund balance.

Mr. Marshall noted that this would establish a 501(c)(3) source which would allow for the public or anyone in general to donate to the Parks Department which is currently not an option and would be available for wills and trusts or general donations. Carly noted that is a good thing about the Foundation is they can receive gifts from the public unlike municipalities and can handle more complex donations like stocks, real estate or gifts from estates or wills.

Mr. Ervin stated the important thing for the Board to think through when looking at an endowment vs a pass-through is what the strategic plans are and what the needs are. An endowment early on would likely be disappointing if we thought we needed lots of money in a year or two since it is for long term horizon whereas a pass-through could be available on a fairly rapid basis if needed. He inquired if there are any purposes or needs that the funds cannot be available or the Foundations Board would not approve. Carly stated for the designated funds it can be used for whatever purpose the Parks Board establishes.

Mr. Marshall reminded everyone since there is no quorum there will be no vote today but he believes we are getting closer to being able to pass in the first quarter of the new year.

The Foundation has options for online donations and the public can go to **cfmdin.org** and press the give now button at the top of the page that will take you the online donating platform. There are over 300 funds that support various programs and organizations across the community.

## **9. OLD BUSINESS – Tuhey Splash Pad**

Mr. Marshall asked Superintendent Malone for an update on the Tuhey Splash Pad as it has been an open item this past year and a focus for him to have it ready for 2022.

Mr. Malone stated they did some follow-up and had a meeting with a young man that had some expertise in pool operations and repair with Dr. Powers and George Foley and he gave a breakdown budget of costs for the Splash Pad which has been down the past two years. We are looking at ways to provide safety which is most important and got some information on what we can do to be open this upcoming year. We have the breakdown of the actual costs and will need to discuss with the Board how to cover the costs, whether it be a grant or if we have the money in the budget to cover the

surface that needs to be put down so it can be opened prior to opening day for the pool.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS-**

### **Dan Ridenour, Mayor – Storer Park**

Mayor Ridenour provided the Board with renderings of how Storer Park will look.

It will be in a section of the subdivision closest to the entrance off Tillotson. There will be 34 housing units. We are putting in sidewalks and a number of walking paths. One walking path will cross over the bridge and go over to Brook and one extending over into Johnson Circle. There will be an extensive path network for walking, bike riding and jogging.

The small picture shows the dry retention pond which will help with drainage in the whole neighborhood and on both sides of the creek. There is also a walking path around it and about 4 feet down into it. There will so be a shelter and a small playground area.

34 lots will be available for sale. Project is going out for bid next week. We expect for bids to start coming in and should be acted on in January. We should start seeing earth movement after that subject to the weather. He doesn't expect the park to be put together prior to the roads and that will probably be in May/June when the street asphalt will go in. The playground area was designed by a neighborhood group within the budget they were given. It has a non-grass rubberized surface that doesn't need to be mowed or mulched. There is very little grass in the park area. There are two pickleball courts. The Parks Department will be responsible to maintain the trees, shrubs and small grass areas but the big section of the green space will be maintained by the Sanitary District.

Mr. Marshall thanked the Mayor for taking time out earlier in the week to speak with him regarding the park and asked him to confirm this would be funded by the sale of the lots and development monies. The Mayor confirmed there are two funding sources. The Muncie Redevelopment Commission did commit a dollar figure which is a percentage of the expected sales of the lots and The Mayor's Edit Funds. The project is 100% funded by those two sources. There will be sidewalks but not parking. We view this as a neighborhood park and are trying to encourage people walk and ride their bikes as there are bike stations and drinking fountains. We expect people from the new housing development and surrounding four neighborhoods within walking distance.

Mr. Marshall asked if there was a bathroom facility and the Mayor stated there was not.

There were no additional questions from the Board. There was a question from the public.

Mark Kinman (resident) had a question for the Mayor regarding the funding of the park. He inquired about the use of City funds for a park that is not accessible for all residents as there is no parking available. He stated all the citizens of Muncie are paying for the park but they will not be able to use it. He believed all the other parks have parking so everyone can go to them. Mr. Marshall interjected he would have to check the inventory but doesn't believe all the parks have parking. As this is a small neighborhood park. It is close to one of the smallest park in square footage and one of the things highlighted in the 5 year plan was to increase walking and cycling availability to the parks. It is also in walking distance from the bus stop. Mr. Ervin inquired if there would be street parking available and Mayor Ridenour confirmed there will be some street parking and the church where they have held most of the meetings regarding the park will have parking available. Mayor Ridenour stated this is a pocket park and he does not anticipate any problems. Mr. Marshall interjected the only major difference he sees is this will be a new park and the pickleball courts. He expressed the need to ensure we move forward with having more pickleball courts in other parks throughout the city.

**George Foley, Programs Director – Reallocation of Fencing from Lafferty Field.**

Lafferty Field is being redeveloped by the Cal Ripkin Foundation and they will be replacing the 6 foot fencing. It has been discussed with Deputy Mayor Ivy to reallocate some of the fencing to Westside Park as we've been getting a demand for some baseball programs and have been looking to start doing Little League. We are looking at moving 645 feet of the fencing to Westside Park and we've received a request from the Senior Center for a donation of leftover fencing for a project they are planning.

Mr. Marshall stated since there was no quorum he would add it to the agenda for a special meeting or it might have to be voted on in January.

Superintendent Malone added that delays in the start of the project will impact the baseball season for Burris. Burris will start their season at Thomas Park and hopefully finish up at McCulloch.

**11. OTHER BUSINESS – No items presented**

**12. ACTION ITEMS – None presented**

**13. PUBLIC INPUT- 3 minute limit- Please state your name and address.**

**Mark Kinman – Muncie Resident**

Mr. Kinman inquired about the process for adding members to the Board as Adrian Levell passed away and Yolanda hasn't been presents for months. Mr. Marshall

stated the Mayor makes the appointments and Yolanda's term ends at the end of the year. The Mayor will be making those new appointments in January.

Mr. Kinman inquired if letters/questionnaires were being sent out for Prairie Creek. Mr. Marshall confirmed he saw a copy of the questionnaire and Ashley stated they would be going out with the invoicing.

Mr. Kinman also inquired if all the docks could be replaced with floating docks. He understands they are expensive and will take time to replace but believes it is the best option as they won't have to be removed at the end of each season. He wondered if they can get money, grants or something so we can invest in the docks instead of paying part-time employees to take them out. He would like to see investments made for the dock holders who generate a high amount of revenue instead of all the improvements being made for the campground instead of the piers. He also inquired if the pier installation/removal schedule can be rotated as it always starts at the campground with the sailboat side being last.

There was also a request for event passes for dock holders so they can get past the road closures and get to their docks or boats. If they can be given out in advance so they don't have to check before any major events.

Mr. Marshall explained he, Dustin and Ashley have had talks about future improvements that need to be made as a lot of things have been neglected over the years. They will be looking at rates and how they compare locally, the addition of floating docks and improvements at the ramp.

**There were no other members of the public requesting to speak.**

**Meeting was adjourned by Brad Marshall, President.**

**\* Next Park Board meeting is currently scheduled for January 18, 2022 at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium.**